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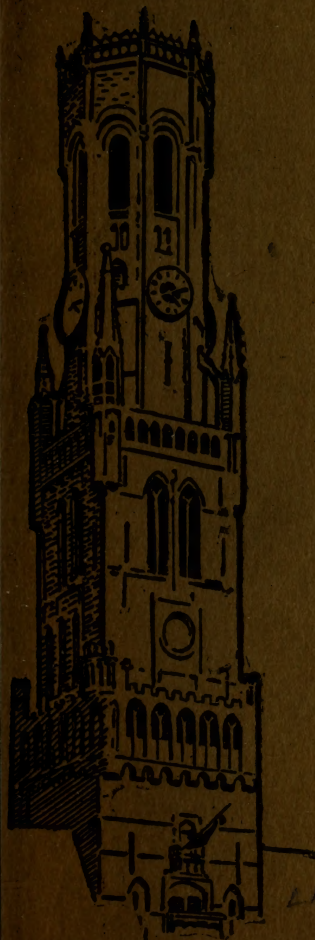
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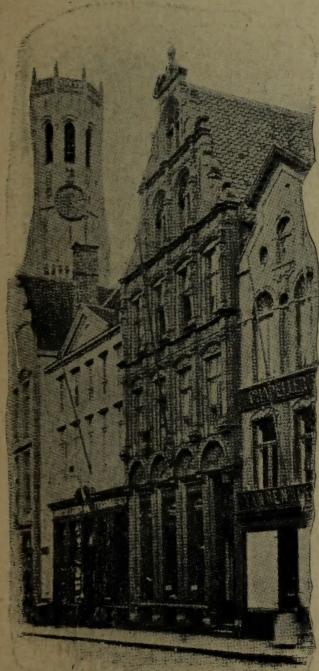
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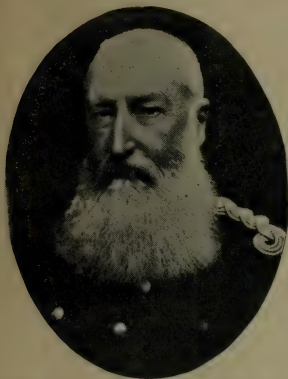
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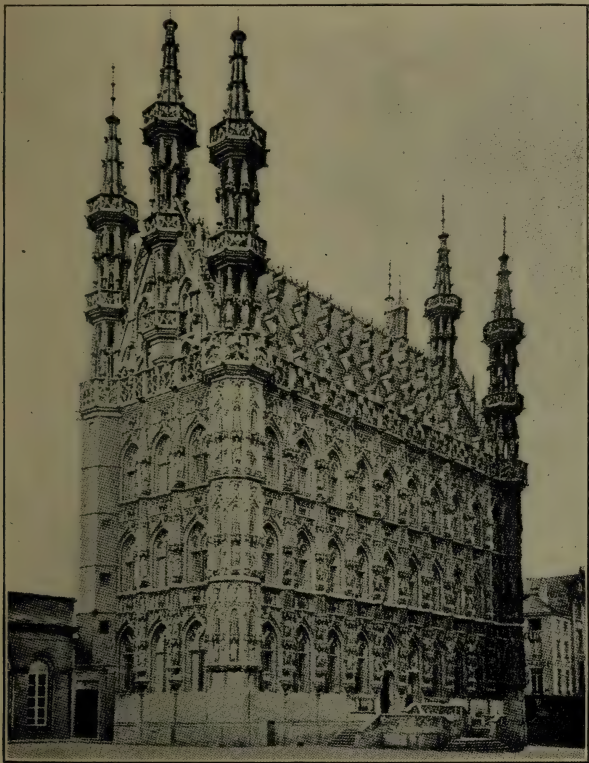
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generally spoken by the educated classes, and is employed by the Government, and in commerce, literature and most of the newspapers. The official use of Flemish, however, is also recognized.



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The present form of Government, which dates from the Revolution of 1830, is a Constitutional Monarchy. The legislative power is vested in the King, Senate, and Chamber of Representatives. The King, who is one of the most able and most energetic of sovereigns, takes a keen interest in everything that advances the well-being of his people. The laws are based upon the broadest principles of freedom; universal suffrage prevails, and voting is obligatory.

The thorough system of Belgium's secondary, higher and technical education, the broad comprehensive lines upon which its charities are conducted, its excellent police protection, its rigid administration of justice, its well-managed reformatories for the reclamation of violators of social law and order, are all worthy of serious attention, as models of efficient and intelligent organization. Many of the railways and other public utilities are under the direction of the Government, while the numerous roads and highways are among the best kept in the world.

In its architecture, Belgium is specially rich in fine old monuments, sumptuous *hôtels de ville*, magnificent guildhalls, handsome cathedrals, and superb belfries. Their beautiful proportions and exquisite details arrest the eye of the traveller and excite his admiration. The belfries of Bruges, Ghent, Mons and Tournai; the *halles* of Bruges and Ypres, and the *hôtels de ville* of Brussels, Oudenarde, Ghent and Louvain, are but a few examples of the many that deserve special study.

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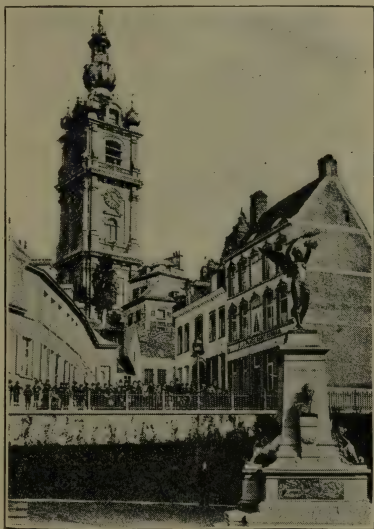
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same time, see in these cities extensive quarters which have retained many interesting buildings of mediæval days. This is specially true of the *Grandes Places* of some of the cities, where one not infrequently finds the handsome *hôtels de ville* and attractive guildhouses of earlier periods. In Brussels, the quaint and beautiful *Grand' Place* is unquestionably one of the most magnificent mediæval squares in the world, and presents a striking contrast to the adjacent modern streets. A mediæval atmosphere so pervades towns like Bruges, Ypres, Furnes, and parts of Ghent, that, with but little stretch of the imagination, one can fancy himself carried back to the days of the Burgundian rulers, when the substantial wealth of the burghers and the splendor of the court gave abundant employment to both artist and artisan, and helped to foster that taste for art which made Belgium the birthplace of [one] of the most famous schools of painting,—the Flemish School. It was the home of the brothers Van Eyck and Roger Van] der Weyden, Hans Memling, Rubens, Van Dyck, Jordaens, Teniers, and a host of others, whose genius made the art of Belgium renowned. In no other country, except Italy, has one the advantage of seeing so many old works of art in the actual places for which their creators designed them.



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In its devotion to the cultivation of music, Belgium occupies a foremost position. The conservatories of Brussels and Liège enrol students from all parts of the world, while "La Monnaie," the Grand Opera House of Brussels, is noted for the number of famous singers, who first gained public recognition within its walls.

Even those who visit Europe for but a brief period, with little time for serious things, will find the gaiety and beauty of the chief Belgian cities exceedingly attractive. Brussels, Antwerp and Liège, are famous for their splendid, broad boulevards, adorned with trees, statues and fountains. In the upper quarters



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A Residential Boulevard, Brussels.

cafés in the business districts are striking features. Indeed, in the attractiveness of its cafés, and the gaiety of the life and movement which surge round them, Brussels vies with the greatest cities of the Continent. Especially is this so during the time of the annual Carnival. Mingling with the crowd of well-dressed men and women on the boulevards, are to be seen certain types of the working classes, in the national costumes, which are very often picturesque. Here we see the vendors of bread; the *marchande de beurre* with her basket on her head ;

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In the Park at Brussels.

has been much facilitated by an elaborate system of canals and canalized rivers, which have been constructed at immense cost.

Belgium is rich in minerals, particularly in coal, which is found principally in the Provinces of Hainault, Namur and Liége, and in iron, which is abundant in the Provinces of Liége, Namur and Luxembourg, and in the district of Charleroi. Zinc, lead, copper, calamine and alum are among its other minerals, and give employment to many in their preparation. The

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The Bourse at Brussels.

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The Palais de Justice at Brussels.

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Old Square in Bruges.

The manufacture of both plate and window glass is carried on very extensively in the Charleroi district, while at Val-St. Lambert, and other places, are produced that fine crystal tableware which is so highly prized.

The textile industries of Belgium are very important, and its woollens, linens, cottons, and silks find an extensive market. The cultivation of flax and the manufacture of its products

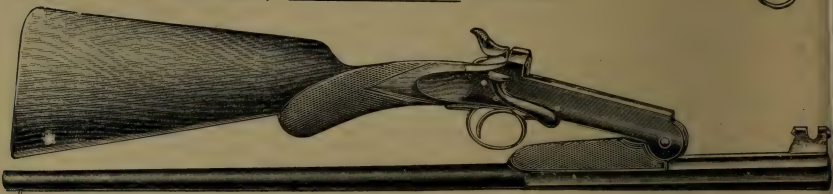
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Chamber with Ancient Tapestries, Hotel de Ville, Brussels.

the workers have acquired, through generations of practice, a wonderful skill in this industry. In certain districts, all the members of the gentler sex, young and old, are occupied with the needle and bobbin; and nearly fifty thousand women are thus employed in Belgium. The Brussels point lace, the Duchesse, the Appliqué, the Mechlin, the Bruges and the various kinds of

Flemish lace, find their way to every part of the globe. Lace curtains of rich design are also manufactured here.

Brussels has also long been famous for its carpet manufactures. This industry is also extensively carried on at Tournai.



A Flemish Milk Vendor.

Belgium excels in so many lines of manufacture that their mere enumeration would far exceed the limits of this little sketch; but mention must be made of its manufactures of leather and of its decorated leather art-goods, of the gold, silver and bronze goods of Brussels and Ghent, of the fire-arms made in Liège, of

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